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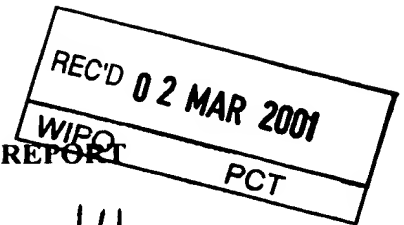
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| <p>1. This international preliminary examination report has been prepared by this International Preliminary Examining Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.</p> <p>2. This REPORT consists of a total of <u>4</u> sheets, including this cover sheet.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, i.e., sheets of the description, claims and/or drawings which have been amended and are the basis for this report and/or sheets containing rectifications made before this Authority (see Rule 70.16 and Section 607 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT).</p> <p>These annexes consist of a total of _____ sheets.</p> |
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I. Basis of the report**1. With regard to the elements of the international application:***☒ the international application as originally filed☐ the description:

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V. Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement**1. Statement**

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| Novelty (N) | Claims | <u>1-19</u> | YES |
| | Claims | | NO |
| Inventive step (IS) | Claims | <u>1-19</u> | YES |
| | Claims | | NO |
| Industrial applicability (IA) | Claims | <u>1-19</u> | YES |
| | Claims | | NO |

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Problem and solution

The invention relates to method and an apparatus for providing routing of asynchronous traffic in a circuit-switched synchronous time division multiplexed network.

When transferring asynchronous traffic through a circuit-switched synchronous time division multiplexed network, such as DTM, a routing mechanism is needed. Current routing solutions are typically developed for use in different types of network architectures. These solutions therefore suggest mechanisms that result in poor use of the features of networks of DTM kind, such as the ability to dynamically establishing, terminating and modify channels. The problem to be solved is therefore to provide a routing solution that makes better use of the advantageous features of a network of DTM kind by providing a mechanism for switching among channels of a multi-channel multi-access bitstream.

The invention presents a routing method in which a data packet form a node connected to a multi-access bitstream carrying isocronous channel is received in an one of said isochronous channels, and where the said channel is used for carrying asynchronous traffic. It is determined if said data packet is to be transmitted to another node connected to said bitstream using another channel of said isochronous channels. If so, the said data packet is transmitted to said another node using said another channel.

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Supplemental Box

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The following documents have been cited in the International Search Report:

D1: WO, 9703526, A2

D2: WO, 9417617, A1

D3: WO, 9414255, A1

D4: WO, 9736403; A1

D5: C. Bohm et al., "The DTM Gigabit Network", Journal of High Speed Networks, vol. 3, 1994, pp. 109-126

Document D1 discloses a telecommunications facility for transporting data packets having headers and payloads between a plurality of input ports and a plurality of output ports.

Document D2 discloses an ATM switch, which may be modified to provide a predetermined delay when transmitting information cells, thereby enabling isochronous traffic.

Document D3 discloses an arrangement where an asynchronous frame is divided into two synchronous frames.

Document D4 discloses a method for transferring data in time slots in at least two parallel bitstreams along a shared optical media.

Document D5 introduces DTM, a circuit-switched synchronous time division multiplexed network.

The invention claimed in claims 1-19 is novel and shows industrial applicability. It appears that none of documents D1-D5, neither explicit nor implicit, addresses routing among channels of a multi-channel multi-access bitstreams. Therefore, it is not considered obvious to a person skilled in the art arriving at invention from any one, or any combination of documents D1-D5. Consequently, the invention claimed in claims 1-19 is considered to involve an inventive step.

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The diagram illustrates a system architecture with the following components and connections:

- Input/Output:**
 - Input **1** enters from the bottom, passing through a dashed box **111** containing blocks **113** and **114**.
 - Output **13** exits from the bottom, passing through block **114**.
 - Output **14** exits from the top right.
- Processing and Storage Blocks:**
 - 115** (bottom left), **117** (center), **118** (bottom right), **119** (top center), and **120** (top left) are rectangular blocks.
 - 118** (top left) is a cylinder representing a database or storage.
 - 121** is a rectangular block located between **115** and **118**.
- Control and Data Flow (Numbered Lines):**
 - 2:** From input **1** to **115**.
 - 3:** From **115** to **120**.
 - 4:** From **120** to **115**.
 - 5:** From **115** to **119**.
 - 6:** From **115** to **117**.
 - 7:** From **118** (cylinder) to **117**.
 - 8:** From **117** to **118** (bottom right).
 - 9:** From **119** to **118** (bottom right).
 - 10:** From **119** to **14**.
 - 11:** From **118** (bottom right) to **113**.
 - 12:** From **118** (bottom right) to **114**.
- Interconnections:**
 - 115** ↔ **121** ↔ **118** (bottom right).
 - 119** ↔ **120**.

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